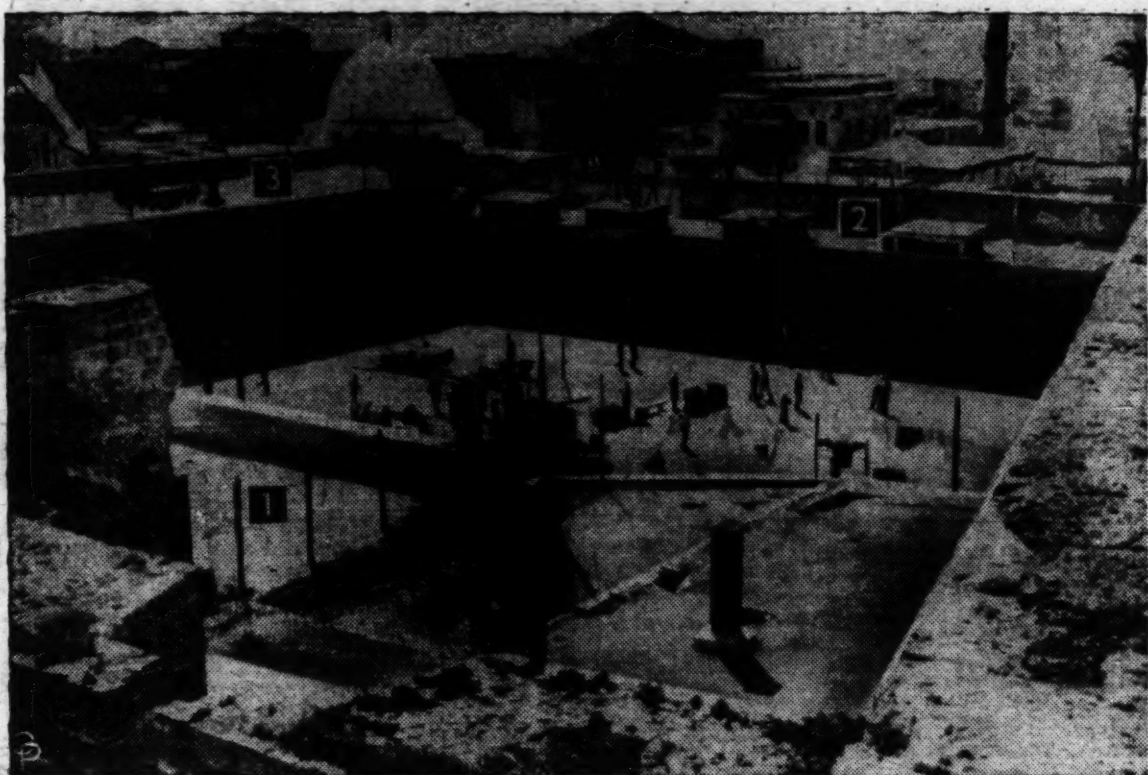


# COURT VOIDS ALBANY BAN ON ROBESON

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**WHERE JEWISH UNDERGROUND STRUCK:** 227 Arab and Jewish prisoners were liberated from the Acre Central Prison, 20 miles from Haifa, Palestine, by a daring Jewish underground raid. Arrow shows where underground forces entered and came through the Arab cell block (1) to reach the Jewish underground cell block (2). Across courtyard (2) are kitchen, showers, laundry. Two grilled windows were blasted to free the captives.

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## GLK Smith Here, Praises Truman Doctrine

By Harry Raymond

Gerald L. K. Smith, boss of the America First Party and Christian Nationalist Crusade, came to town yesterday with praises on his lips for the general policies of the Truman Administration.

The blustering Detroit fascist told newsmen in his Hotel Pennsylvania suite that "the Nationalists are rather pleased with the administration of Mr. Truman."

"They like Mr. Truman's attitude toward communism and his native, natural appreciation for the needs of our own country," Smith declared.

"We believe that for Mr. Truman to deal with the Greek-Turkish situation

directly represents a high respect for our national sovereignty and is a confession on his part that thus far the United Nations is rather a weak and ineffective instrument."

Smith's heavy face became beefy red as he sat, his legs crossed and his arms folded across his chest most of the time, shouting answers for more than an hour to a roomful of prodding reporters. He prophesied somewhat gleefully that the UN will become "more or less an academic institution and peter out."

"I believe war with Russia to be inevitable," he said.

"Do you think we should go to war now while we have the atom bomb?" a reporter asked. "I think we



SMITH  
Wants 'Aggression'

should be very aggressive," Smith replied.

He explained his Nationalist Crusade would put some independent candidates in the field in 1948

but in the main would support nominees of the two major parties.

"I think the Democratic Party has moved toward that (the Nationalist position) in the last few months," Smith declared, "and may become the true American Nationalist Party. If Mr. Truman can move in the next year as fast as he has been moving you'll be surprised how many Nationalists will approve him."

He said he saw the Democratic Party of the southern states as a "good basis" for a 100 percent American Nationalist political party.

Smith summed up his position of Michigan's senior Senator, saying: "We could have worse than Mr. Vandenberg." He listed his

Republican favorites as Bricker and Warren.

Smith advocated outlawing the Communist Party, declared the Henry Wallace policy "the antithesis of what we stand for," praised Senator Bilbo and Herman Talmadge and supported white supremacy Jimcrow of the South.

The American Negroes he called a "child race" that "shouldn't be put in a position to control the destiny of our nation."

The American fascist said he came to New York to visit Norman Jaques, anti-Semitic member of the Canadian Parliament.

"I am then going to Boston," Smith added, "where most of my friends are old-time Father Coughlin leaders."



## WORLD EVENTS

### AN EDITORIAL

# Is State Dep't Meddling In French Politics?

IS the State Department meddling in France's political crisis? If so, we should like to know the name of the meddler, and where he got his authority.

According to the Associated Press on Monday, "a high-ranking American official" is reported to have drawn up plans for American aid to France, if the Socialist Premier, Paul Ramadier, "can hold together his new non-Communist coalition."

Later in this same dispatch "the informant said that if the Socialist Party consents to head an anti-Communist coalition, then Washington may be expected to lend a sympathetic ear."

Thus, the non-Communist coalition be-

comes an anti-Communist coalition, in the course of a few paragraphs of the AP story.

"Another source said that the American attitude had been conveyed to leaders of non-Communist parties by U.S. Ambassador Jefferson Caffery," the story continues.

THE inference is plain that an American ambassador is interfering in the political problems of a friendly nation. Unless denied by the State Department, this Associated Press story means that Mr. Caffery is trying to deepen the split between the Socialists and Communists, trying to keep the largest single party of France out of the French Government.

In President Cleveland's time, 60 years ago, a British ambassador caused a scandal here by siding with one of our political parties in one of our election campaigns. We would never tolerate the ambassador of another country interfering in an American political crisis.

In fact, the Truman Doctrineers are always accusing the Soviet Union of interfering in other lands—but here's an open-and-shut case of the real intervention taking place by our ambassador in a friendly country. And it's not a banana republic, either. It's France.

We think the AP dispatch should be explained. If it's Mr. Jefferson Caffery, he ought to be recalled. Whoever it is, the country wants light on the subject and drastic action.

## UN Committee Votes Broad Hearing on Palestine Crisis

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., May 6.—The United Nations Political Committee voted today to conduct a broad hearing on the Palestine problem, and, after a threat of an Arab boycott, agreed to invite Palestine Arabs to participate. Russia led the fight to widen debate. Soviet delegate Andrei Gromyko charged any limitation was "artificial and unjustifiable" and could not be enforced.

The committee agreed. The vote to delete restrictions was 19 for restrictions, 23 opposed.

The United States and Great Britain fought to the end against letting the political committee consider substantive issues on Palestine.

The fight over who should be heard broke out as soon as the 55-nation political committee met to begin forming the investigating commission. Delegates were hardly seated in their crowded committee room when they were informed the Arab Higher Committee had with-

drawn its request to be heard.

The Arabs protested that a Jewish request for a hearing had been approved promptly by the General Assembly, while a similar Arab request was referred to the Assembly's Political Committee for a decision.

### EGYPT DEMANDS

Egyptian delegate Mahmoud Hassan Pasha promptly demanded that the Arabs be called before the committee or else "we will not be able to take part in the discussions."

"This is not a withdrawal from

this assembly," he said, "but for all legal purposes it is."

Mohammed Fadhil Jamil of Iraq indirectly supported the threat.

This sent the committee into an early afternoon recess for private conferences.

United States delegate Warren Austin later asked Sir Alexander Cadogan of Great Britain whether the British recognized the Arab committee as the representative of Palestine Arabs.

"Yes, I can unhesitatingly answer in the affirmative," Cadogan replied.

## U.S. AIRLINE GRABS CONTROL OF ITALY'S PLANE SERVICE

(World News Service)

ROME, May 6.—One of the more interesting recent Italian facts is that following a rather bad scandal, Count Pacelli, the Pope's nephew, was named President of Linee Aeree Italiane at the express wish of Myron Taylor, personal representative of the American President to the Vatican.

This announcement culminated a series of events that shook Italian life. It deals with the story of how Trans World Airlines seized control of Ala Italiana. In May, 1945, the Allied Control Committee in Rome seized all Ala Italiana equipment in

Venice, Bassano and elsewhere. Less than a year later, in February 1946, the representative of TWA, Macdarini, signed an agreement with Air Minister Cevolotto, creating a mixed Italo-American company named Linee Aeree Italiane.

Events show, however, that Cevolotto had acted contrary to Italian law, which reserves the granting of airline exploitation licenses to decrees by the head of state on decision of the Council of ministers. Towards the end of February, the majority of the employees of the former Ala Italiana appeared in Italian courts against Cevolotto, former Air Minister Cingolanni and General Luigi Gallo, whom they accused of selling out to TWA.

Italy has lost about a billion lira in the transaction. Nor does it help matters to have confirmation from New York that the United States authorities approved the contract. As to General Gallo, he has been revealed to be not only an official of the defense ministry, but also managing director of Linee Aeree Italiane.

The naming of the Pope's nephew to head this combination is further comment on events in Italy.

9,000,000 ITALIAN agricultural workers will strike for wage increases tomorrow, union leaders announced. One million government workers and 3,000 magistrates also announced strike plans. The Italian National Assembly starts debate Monday on the government's financial program, and Premier Alcide de Gasperi is said to be considering a new finance minister.

## MARSHALL URGES TRUMAN DOCTRINE BECOME LAW

Secretary of State George C. Marshall told the House yesterday the Moscow Foreign Ministers conference into law immediately.

Charles A. Eaton, (R-NJ) chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, opened debate on the \$400,000,000 proposal with a letter from Marshall declaring the bill would operate in the interest of the United States and of peace.

The House voted 168 to 22 to limit debate to nine hours.

Eaton delivered the major plea for the Administration's case, telling the House if Russia "is permitted to take Greece and Turkey, her next stops of course would be Iran, Afghanistan, India and China."

While Eaton was assembling his notes, opponents of the measure attacked it in one-minute speeches.

### OPPOSITION SPEAK

Rep. Thomas L. Owens (R-Ill) declared "somebody is on the receiving end of a short bill of goods,

and I think it's Uncle Sam," he demanded that "we end these gifts to perpetuate British Empire policies and to protect oil barons."

Rep. Robert F. Rich (R-Pa.) called the bill "the most disgraceful proposition this house has ever been asked to approve."

Rep. George H. Bender (R-O.) said, "let us send no money to crafty Turkey. Let's send Greece real economic relief. But let us not send guns and tanks to Greece because that would be relief only for the government so that it can shoot down its political opponents."

Rep. Clarence J. Brown, veteran Ohio Republican and political ally of Sen. Robert A. Taft, (R-O.), said the bill would "drive a dagger into the very heart of the United Nations."

But Rep. E. E. Cox (D-Ga.), leader of southern Democrats supporting it, retorted that "the whole world at this very movement is divided into two camps—Russia in one and the United States in the other."

### WORLD BRIEFS

## BRAZIL AWAITS RULE ON CP LEGALITY

BRAZIL was reported tense, awaiting a decision by the Supreme Electoral Court on the legality of the Brazilian Communist Party. Several counts of the indictment have been thrown out, but the full decision is expected Thursday. United Press reported the Brazilian Army is in "an alert status," at many factories, air bases and public buildings throughout the country, pending the decision.

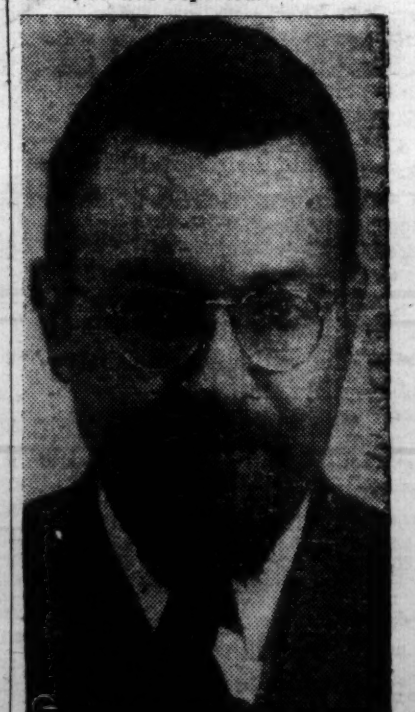
CHINESE Communist forces captured five more towns in Shansi province, a Kuomintang communiqué in Nanking disclosed according to the United Press. They now hold more than four-fifths of Shansi, the dispatch said.

IZVESTIA published a dispatch from its Ankara correspondent reporting that the British have established a chain of radar stations along the coast of the Dardanelles. U.S. and British air installations in Turkey, the dispatch disclosed, are being manned by military personnel.

THE GENERAL STRIKE of 20,000 Basque workers in Balbao, Spain, protesting the punitive measures against May Day demonstrators, went into its second day despite the arrest of hundreds of strikers.

FOOD RIOTS in six large Chinese cities, and a series of

strikes had Premier Chang Chun calling a special meeting of top government officials to confer on the economic and financial crisis. Hangchow was under martial law because of the food demonstrations, it was reported.



DR. MICHAEL L. MUNK sailed on the Mauretania to Berlin, city of his birth, where he will serve as the first rabbi of the Jewish community since before the war. Dr. Munk escaped from Germany in 1933.

## French CP Fights Attacks By Reaction, Says Foster

The removal of five Communist ministers from Premier Paul Ramadier's cabinet in France Sunday was a direct attack against the French working class, and all the people of France, stated William Z. Foster, national chairman of the Communist Party.

The French Communist Party is the largest party in the government, and must be a part of any government that is to maintain national unity, against the growing attacks by the reactionary groups, led by de Gaulle, said Foster.

The ouster of the Communist ministers came as a result of the opposition vote by Communist delegates in the National Assembly against Ramadier's wage and price-freezing program, which had stabilized wages, but had not led to the proposed reduction in prices.

The French Socialist National Council was still meeting in a cru-

cial closed session yesterday at press time called to approve or reject Socialist Premier Paul Ramadier's ouster of the Communist Ministers from the government. If the Council stands by its position of last December not to participate in any government not also including Communist representation, the fall of the Ramadier government will be likely.

Foster, who returned recently from a three-month tour of Europe, will make a full report on the situation in France and other European countries at Madison Square Garden Wednesday evening, May 14.

Tickets ranging from 60 cents to \$2.40 are available at the Workers Bookshop, 50 E. 13 St.; Bookfair, 133 W. 44 St.; Jefferson Bookshop, 575 Avenue of the Americas and the State C. P., 35 E. 12 St., Rm 511.



## LABOR and the NATION

## N. Y. Councilman Asks Witch-Hunt

By Michael Singer

A sweeping witch-hunt investigation into the political opinions of all city employees was urged yesterday in the City Council. The measure, submitted by Queens Democrat L. Gary Clemente, came in the form of a resolution to amend the City Charter. It was referred to the Council Committee on Civil Employees.

Clemente told reporters he would seek Council approval next Tuesday for establishment of a Little Dies Committee here and for \$100,000 to investigate "subversive civil service officials and employees."

So sweeping is Clemente's proposal that it would oust Communist Councilmen Peter V. Cacchione of Brooklyn and Benjamin J. Davis of Manhattan, despite their overwhelming approval by voters at the polls. Even American Labor Party Councilmen Eugene P. Connolly and Michael J. Quill would be disbarred from office under the measure, it is passed.

Though Clemente's resolution does not refer to elected officials, he told this reporter that "if the Committee interprets my measure to mean Davis and Cacchione" then, "of course, they would become subject to its provisions."

## SHARKEY DIDN'T READ IT

The action by the Queens Democrat came at the end of the Council meeting. Rumors of such a bill to have been rife for many weeks.

Only two weeks ago Democratic vice-chairman and Council Majority Leader Joseph T. Sharkey of Brooklyn, told the Daily Worker, "There was no such bill being considered in the Council." He did admit, however, that Council Edward A. Cunningham, Bronx Democrat, had mentioned such a move, "but I didn't listen to him."

Asked yesterday whether he would support Clemente's resolution, Sharkey started to make a gesture of disapproval and then said: "I haven't read it." It is highly improbable, however, that such a bill could be introduced by a member of the majority without at least the knowledge of the majority leader.

Clemente's bill would:

- Fire from city service any officer, employee or person who is a "member, agent, employee or who

collaborates with any organization, governmental or otherwise, or an affiliate thereof . . . whose aim, whether open or concealed, is the forcible overthrow of the government of the United States or the abolition of our present economic system and democratic form of government or the establishment of a dictatorship in its place."

- Fire from civil service anyone who shall "contribute, receive, solicit, expend, distribute funds or any property of any nature whatsoever for any group whose purpose is as aforesaid."

- Oust from their jobs city workers who advocate, organize, establish, promote, reestablish "or support any group" considered "subversive" by the contemplated local Thomas-Rankin committee.

- Eliminate from civil service anyone who shall "teach, disseminate or distribute any propaganda or any information" for changes in the "present economic system."

## BOOK BAN

City workers would be forbidden

to print, possess, store, transmit, sell or deliver any literature not approved by the witch-hunt committee, under penalty of dismissal. They would be fired if they participated, sponsored, arranged any meeting or parade, demonstrated, upheld "causes," signed petitions, even held "discussion" or attended "plays" not approved by the committee.

They cannot "bear allegiance," the bill states, "in the slightest degree to any group, government, foreign power or front for same," whose purpose is considered "subversive."

The bill would "forever disqualify" such civil service officials and employees "from being appointed or employed in the service of the city."

Mayor O'Dwyer, who is believed to be opposed to any witch-hunt or red-baiting legislative spree in the city, could not be reached for comment.

Clemente told the Daily Worker he hopes to have "the committee ready within two weeks" and then added "if the bill is passed."



**We're With You, Teacher:** Students at an East Detroit school decide not to go inside on arrival. Instead they back up their teachers who are picketing and on strike for an adequate wage.

## Most of Nation's Phone Strikers Still Solid

With the bulk of the nation's 350,000 telephone strikers still out, negotiations were resumed in Washington yesterday afternoon between representatives of long lines strikers and the American Telephone and Telegraph Co.

A government spokesman said a new company offer was being discussed. Federal conciliators, were again making "optimistic" predictions for an early break.

In New York 19,000 Western Electric and Long Lines workers, members of five unions affiliated with the National Federation of Telephone Workers continued to maintain picket lines at all exchanges despite the defection of four non-affiliated unions.

George Myerscough, New York strike chairman, announced that he had accepted offers of picket-line help from the New York City CIO Council. Myerscough said that he had also received a check for an undisclosed amount from the State CIO.

The picket line at the W. 50 Street exchange was removed briefly twice yesterday in deference to Herman Krause, former strike director, who was compelled to return to work as a repair man.

Krause had been notified that failure to report would mean loss of his job and that his own union, the United Telephone Organization, would not back his refusal to cross a picket line. As a member of the UTO board of directors Krause had voted against the back-to-work order.

Myerscough said the strike committee had approved Krause's return to work. The picket line was removed as Krause entered the exchange and as he left. The practice would be followed for Krause, Myerscough declared.

Elsewhere in the country an agreement was announced between Northwestern Bell and the Northwest Union of Telephone Workers calling for \$3.50 to \$4 raises for 17,000 workers. But union officials at St. Paul said members in Minnesota, the Dakotas, Iowa and Ne-

braska would respect picket lines of unions still on strike.

In Baltimore telephone operators rejected a company offer and voted to stay out until a national agreement is reached.

Two small NFTW affiliates in Chicago have signed agreements for a \$4 raise but their members are respecting the picket lines of the other unions.

Joseph A. Beirne, NFTW president, denounced two NFTW heads in Chicago for signing the agreement and recommended their expulsion.

Negotiations for Southwestern Bell workers were shifted to St. Louis for Washington.

## Painters Rap Wedl Unseating

AFL Painters Local 848 unanimously voted Monday night to challenge the action of the Central Trades and Labor Council in unseating delegate Frank Wedl for marching in the May Day parade.

The local declared the action was an infringement upon local autonomy. Wedl, as president of the local, was carrying out the decision of the membership, they said.

It was also decided to challenge the Council's barring of delegates on the "red" issue. A resolution pointed out that the Supreme Court had rejected arguments that Communists were "subversive."

## Union Votes Strike

SANTA MONICA, Cal., May 6 (UP). — With negotiations over wages and other issues deadlocked, 15,000 AFL employees of Douglas Aircraft Co. have voted to serve a 30-day strike notice on the company.

## Faces 2d Trip To Chair Friday

Willie Francis, 17-year old Louisiana Negro, charged with the 1944 murder of a white pharmacist will take his second trip to the electric chair Friday—unless the governor intervenes.

Francis, who was only 14 at the time of his conviction, escaped death on the state's first execution date—May 3, 1946—when the portable electric chair broke down. Twice the current was turned on but without any deadly effect.

The setting of a new execution date was stayed when the U. S. Supreme Court agreed to review the case. After the case was heard before the high court a 5-4 decision was handed down last January in favor of the State of Louisiana.

The dissenting opinions of the four Supreme Court justices, however give the Governor and the Parole Board broad grounds for acting in behalf of the youthful prisoner. Justices William O. Douglas, Frank Murphy, Wiley Rutledge and Harold H. Burton were the dissenters.

The first three Justice said: "Taking a human life by unnecessarily cruel means shocks the most fundamental instincts of civilized man. It should not be possible under constitutional procedure of a self-governing people." Justice Burton declared that electrocution must be instantaneous and not repeated at "intervals of several days or even minutes."

## Kilgore Charges NAM Promotes Labor Strife

By Fred Vast

WASHINGTON, May 6.—Sen. Harley Kilgore (D-W. Va), today placed responsibility for the Taft anti-labor bill on the National Association of Manufacturers, which he accused of deliberately promoting industrial strife.

An attempt by Kilgore to win a 10-day delay in Senate consideration of the bill, was lost when the chamber voted 60 to 17 to lay the motion on the table. Kilgore argued the delay would give both sides time "to clarify the issues at stake" in the omnibus bill.

"I hate to think of what the political and economic consequences will be if the NAM is successful in its battle to turn the clock back to the days when a few powerful industrialists played with the lives of workmen as if they were so many pawns on a chess table," Kilgore declared.

Kilgore noted that "labor's great accomplishments seldom find their way even into the small print in the newspapers."

## BACKED BY SENATORS

He was joined by other Senators during the afternoon in an attack on the amendments to the anti-labor bill which limits industry-wide bargaining while Taft led the fight for its adoption.

The bargaining curb is the pending Senate business and may be voted on tomorrow. Other amendments will be taken up after disposal of the present one. It appeared today the Senate would not reach a final vote on the union-busting measure until next week, if debate continues at the present speed.

Kilgore said existing law permits unions to accept or reject industry-wide bargaining and thus the amendment is unnecessary for the alleged purpose of giving local unions freedom.

He pointed out the amendment actually goes farther than the present law, charging it will protect the wage-chiseler to the detriment of honest employers. It would prohibit unions but not employers from presenting a solid front.

The amendment would permit low wage areas to undercut industry-



KILGORE  
Blasts NAM

wide standards, provide for area differentials and play havoc with efforts at stabilization, Kilgore said.

## HODGE-PODGE

Sen. Pepper (D-Fla) charged the inevitable result created by the amendment would be "a hodge-podge" of wage levels, providing encouragement to chiseling employers and undermining the strength of national unions.

Sen. Taylor (D-Ida) said the proposal "can destroy the labor movement" and lead to chaos. It would become virtually impossible for national officers to hold their union together, he said, and would permit chiseling on wage standards.

Sen. Ives (R-NY) also expressed fears the amendment would lead to chaotic wage conditions and declamation of unions.

Sen. O'Mahoney (D-Wyo) attacked the bill from a different angle, declaring it would lead to greater centralization and power of national government which the GOP claims it opposes. He advised members to take enough time to read the bill.



NEW YORK

# Robeson Wins Right to Albany Hall

ALBANY, May 6.—Supreme Court Justice Isidore B. Bookstein ruled today that the local Board of Education had no right to cancel a concert in a public school here by Paul Robeson because of his political opinions. The decision means that Robeson will in all probability sing at Philip Livingston Junior High School on Friday, as scheduled. On learning of the decision, Neile F. Towner, president of the Education board, said he doubted that there was time for an appeal to a higher court.

This morning, before the decision was announced, the Albany Committee for Civil Rights, organized solely to fight against the ban on Robeson, distributed 10,000 circulars entitled, "Let Freedom Sing."

The case was argued last Friday, after the board had informed the Carver Cultural Society, church group sponsoring the concert, that it had decided to bar Robeson's appearance. No reason was given but it was learned that the board had acted after a phone call from Mayor Erastus Corning called its attention to Robeson's citation by the House Un-American Committee as a sponsor of a "Communist-front" organization.

## ONLY TO SING

Justice Bookstein attached the proviso that the affair be confined to a musical concert since this was the "sole purpose for which the permit was issued."

Arthur J. Harvey, attorney for the Carver Society, said the society never intended anything but a musical program. Harvey also released a statement from Robeson saying he would sing his musical concert without comment or remark.

The crux of the Bookstein decision was that the artist's "philosophy or ideology, however objectionable to most Americans, has nothing to do



ROBESON  
Will Sing to Albany

with the purposes for which the permit was originally granted."

Justice Bookstein was willing to assume, for purposes of the decision, that the report of the Un-American Committee on Robeson "established" him as a "Communist or fellow-traveler." He made it clear he was not so deciding.

City Corporation Counsel James J. McGuinness, who argued the case

for the board, said he was "stunned" by the decision because it allowed Robeson to sing even though it granted he might be a Communist. This, said McGuinness, was the "crux" of the city's case.

Asked whether the Board of Education would stop the concert should a speech be made, Towner said the decision does not call for the board to act as policeman but he thought Robeson would be in contempt of court if he did speak.

The decision has wide significance in view of efforts made to bar Robeson from appearing in other cities.

The ban on the great Negro singer and progressive aroused a storm of protest in Albany. Ministers, rabbis, church, civic and labor groups protested vehemently to the Mayor, who also heard from individuals and organizations all over the state. The Governor was also requested to speak up against the ban but remained silent throughout.

At the trial, the National Lawyers Guild, the Civil Rights Congress and the Civil Liberties Union appeared as "friends of the court" in support of the Carver Society's fight. In Albany, a newly-formed chapter of the Civil Rights Congress started the ball rolling in the local battle against the ban.

## Red-Baiters Defeated In NMU By-Election

By Arnold Sroog

Results of a one-day national by-election in the CIO National Maritime Union (NMU) yesterday revealed a stinging defeat for the red-baiting campaign being waged by Joseph Curran, the union's president.

National ballots were cast for all candidates. The results were announced by NMU Secretary Ferdinand C. Smith.

Outstanding example was the election of James Cunningham as port agent for Houston, Tex. Curran made Cunningham a target for a personal attack in a handsomely printed leaflet decorated with a photograph of Curran. Cunningham was elected by 1,896 to 1,727 for Charles Abar, whom Curran had endorsed.

"You have an opportunity in this by-election," Curran had said in his leaflet, "to show that no Communist political machine is going to do your thinking for you."

"They (the Communist machine) are now seeking," Curran continued, "to increase that control (of the NMU National Council) by the election of port agents in the ports of Baltimore and Houston. This would give them two additional votes on the National Council."

He then continued with a plea to defeat Cunningham, the only candidate he singled out personally for defeat.

In the same leaflet Curran endorsed David Drummond for port agent for Baltimore, although he did not attack Drummond's opponent, Clyde Drake. Drummond won by 1,483 to 1,366.

Results in other contests showed a large number of progressives elected in almost every port, together with Curran supporters. While Curran personally issued no

statement on candidates outside of the Baltimore and Houston races, his supporters in other ports had sought to defeat progressive candidates, most of whom were elected, however.

## THE VOTE

In addition to Cunningham and Drummond, those elected and the votes they received were:

N. Y. Patrolmen (5 elected): William Armstrong, 1028; Ann Conroy, 940; D. J. Gavin, 876; Victor Summers, 843; and Anthony Diaz, 695.

Harry Becker, a Trotskyite, trailed Diaz by three votes and the outcome of this contest will be determined by the San Juan and Honolulu votes.

Baltimore Patrolmen (3): William J. Larkin, 1904; Oscar G. Coover, 1747; and Elite Bennett, 1669.

New Orleans Patrolmen (3): Vernon Brown, 1711; Robert L. Crocker, 1535; and Alfred V. Clausen, 1427.

Here Philip Glass is fourth with 1382 votes and the outcome is still undecided.

Boston patrolman. Sven Petersen, 1689.

Houston patrolman Robert E. L. Faulkner, 1709.

Galveston patrolmen (2): J. H. Boland, 1637 and Norris E. Aldridge, 1587.

San Juan Agent: Luis Diaz, 1755. Buffalo patrolman: Michael McBride, 1562.

Chicago patrolman: Harold P. McCormick, 1474.

Duluth patrolman: Theofield Kaleski, 2344.

St. Louis patrolman: Robert C. Pitman, 2440.

Louisville patrolman: John E. Ferguson, 1504.

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## Talking Union

- Got a Fishing Tackle? You're a Trust!
- Minn. Gov. Seeks Anti-Labor Jackpot

By Bernard Burton

A NEW dictionary is needed. Take the word monopolist.

Time was when it meant somebody who made millions by jacking up prices through exclusive control of a product. Now you're one if you earn a little under \$55 a week by your own sweat. At least that's what the government is saying about the men who go to sea in little ships and belong to the CIO Fishermen's Union on the West Coast. A Los Angeles Federal Court is hearing an "anti-trust" case against the union and so far has refused to hear testimony which would show among other things that peak earnings of fishermen had reached \$2,700 in 1946 and had been as low as \$400 in some years. Also that the price to fishermen often went down while dealers charged the same prices or jacked them up even higher. How about starting at the right end and looking into the dealers' associations, Mr. Government Attorney?

One slot machine equals 25 union members in Minnesota. GOP Governor Youngdahl made an old fashioned horsetrading deal. He agreed to sign bills directed at the state's 200,000 organized workers in return for which the legislature agreed to pass a bill outlawing use of 8,000 slot machines. The governor figures that smashing slot machines may add a "liberal" tinge to his doing ditto to labor.

LET'S KISS AND MAKE UP is what Matt Woll told officials of the Canadian Congress of Labor. The AFL vice-president said the Congress would now have the exclusive right to issue charters in that country.

ITU international executive board to appear before Senate Small Business Committee to challenge Thurman Arnold's cry of "trust."

LEAGUE OF WOMEN SHOPPERS turning out on Brooklyn YWCA picket line.

West coast AT&T affiliate charged with using child labor as scabs.

More than \$1,000,000 paid out to New York hotel workers in the past two years from insurance fund of AFL Hotel Trades Council.

Washington state lumber workers holding hour-long stoppages against Hartley-Taft bills.

To the law he's a "dead man" but Warren K. Billings, still hasn't stopped fighting for full vindication from the trumped-up charges which caused him and Mooney to serve 23 years of a life sentence. Billings, now quietly plying his trade as a watchmaker in Folsom, Cal., petitioned more than a year ago for full restoration of his citizenship rights. Decision is yet to be awarded. The judge who heard the case was Maxwell McNutt, the defense attorney in the 1916 trial. Billings' lawyer was John Brennan, the prosecuting attorney in 1916. Said Brennan: "I'm older now and the perspective is broader."

UE contract at Sperry Gyroscope included general UE conditions—plus one week's paid sick leave.

A two-hour stoppage and Balco Research decided to quit stalling and sign on the dotted line with UOPWA for its draftsmen, engineers, chemists, technicians and lab assistants.

## Indict Janitor in Fire

Clifton Jones, 55, superintendent at 167 W. 129 St. where seven perished in a fire Jan. 6, was indicted Friday for first degree manslaughter. Accused of criminal neglect,

Jones was arraigned before General Sessions Judge Jonah Goldstein, who set bail at \$1,000. The trial date was not set.

Assistant District Attorney Jacob Grumet based his charges on the fact that the roof door of the building was wired tight at the time of the fire, preventing Mrs. Lillian McKenzie and her children from escaping.

Tenants said that Jones fastened the door when they complained about the noise it made swinging open and shut.

Just after the tragedy, the Fire Department said a dumbwaiter filled with refuse was the place of

origin. A smoldering cigarette was given as a probable cause. Subsequent statements from the Deputy Commissioner of Housing J. Raymond Jones, held landlords primarily responsible for such fire traps, which are especially common in Harlem.

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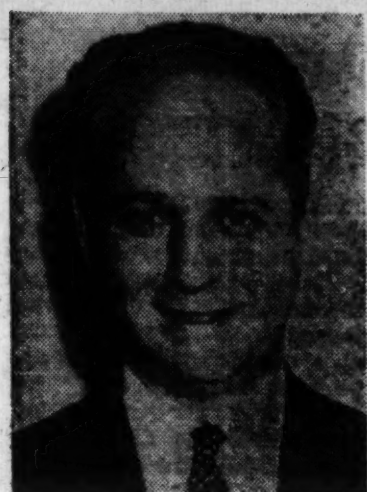
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# Packinghouse Workers Vote To Work for a Third Party

By Ruby Cooper

CLEVELAND, May 6.—Declaring that the Democratic and Republican Parties "are completely under the domination of reactionary interests," delegates to the CIO United Packinghouse Workers convention here today went on record to work toward the establishment of an independent political party. "For all practical purposes, the major parties present us with a choice of Tweedledum and Tweedledee," a resolution on political action, adopted by the convention, declared. "A clear lesson of the elections of Novem-

ber, 1946, is that the people have no choice in the selection of candidates."

It instructed union officers to set up a committee "whose duty it will be to contact leaders of labor and farm groups with a view toward establishing a medium for the candidacy of people who will be truly representatives of the electorate."

Recognizing technical and other obstacles in the immediate establishment of "an independent political party," the convention declared that "we shall, in the interim, give our energy to the immediate goals of electing independent candidates to office wherever possible."

## OVATION FOR KROLL

Earlier, the convention gave an ovation to the CIO Political Action Committee director, Jack Kroll, who told the delegates that "the basic democratic rights, the living standards and the well-being of labor and all Americans today stand in gravest peril."

"The peril," Kroll declared, "comes from the small but powerful group of greedy men who control American industry."

"Control of our government by the same forces that today control our industry adds up to fascism for America. That is the central problem that confronts America today."

Even after the danger signals flashed by the results of the elections last November, labor retained illusions "that Republican reaction had its eye on 1948, and, therefore, would be slow to move against organized labor and the people," Kroll said. "Well, we can thank the senior Senator (Taft) from this state for performing one service at least. He didn't let the illusions linger long. When he introduced the Taft bill, we knew just what we were up against. And we knew that the time was now to fight back."

Kroll urged developing ward, precinct and neighborhood political action committees by every local union.

## OTHER RESOLUTIONS

Other resolutions included opposition to anti-labor legislation, the polltax and discrimination. The delegates urged "the leadership of organized labor to consider militant joint national action, such as the calling of a one-day national work stoppage."

The convention urged organic unity of the CIO, AFL and all independent unions.

A resolution asked a campaign to defeat efforts to deport to Mexico one of the founders of the union, Refugio Martinez. The government is seeking to deport Martinez on the ground that he belonged to the Communist Party in 1931.

Delegates heard a stirring call by Ralph Helstein, president of the union, to "unitedly meet the onslaught that is being made against us, and move to the offensive."

"This nation," declared Helstein, "is today being preconditioned to a state of fascism."

"The witch-hunts which are taking place," he said, "are directed immediately against minority groups but in the final analysis are aimed at all the progressive forces in the nation who dare to stand up against monopoly."

## Helstein's Proposed 13-Point 'Anti-Depression' Program

CLEVELAND, May 6.—Following is the 13-point anti-depression program presented by Ralph Helstein, president, to the convention of the CIO United Packinghouse Workers.

1. Establishment of firm support price guarantees on farm and livestock products.
2. Revival and enlargement of the "stamp" plan of the '30's to cut down on farm surpluses and help meet the nutritional needs of low-income families.
3. Enlargement of the school lunch program.
4. Extension of relief foods to nations devastated by war.
5. An expanded housing program

to meet the needs of low income groups such as the packinghouse workers.

6. Rehabilitation of railroads.
7. Increased highway construction with emphasis on rural roads.
8. Strengthening of unemployment laws on the Federal level.
9. A tax program based on ability to pay.
10. A permanent fair employment practices law and outlawing of all forms of racial discrimination.
11. Severance pay for the packing industry.
12. A 30-hour week with pay at least equal to that paid for 40 hours.
13. A guaranteed annual wage.

## High Court Voids Search Safeguards, 4 Judges Charge

WASHINGTON, May 6.—Four Supreme Court justices have declared that the court has made a "dead letter" of one of the first 10 amendments of the U.S. Constitution, which comprise our Bill of Rights.

In a five-to-four decision on the Harris Case, Justice Murphy said bluntly, "all restrictions put on the issuance and execution of search warrants by the Fourth Amendment are now dead letters as to those arrested in their homes."

Justices Wiley Rutledge, Felix Frankfurter and Robert H. Jackson agreed in general with Murphy's estimate.

The fourth amendment protects—or used to—private homes from unwarranted searches and seizures.

### FACTS IN CASE

The facts in the case are these: George Harris of Oklahoma City was arrested on warrants charging him with check forgery and intent to defraud. Five FBI agents who went in his home to arrest him ransacked the house looking for two cancelled checks. They failed to find them but did find 11 draft resignation certificates and eight notices of classification.

The FBI agents had no search warrant of any kind, and Harris had not been suspected of any crime in connection with the draft. But on the basis of what the FBI agents found, he was tried and convicted on a 16-count indictment charging draft violation.

The four dissenting justices maintained that this means any warrant of arrest can be used as an excuse to search any home for any purpose, thereby once again resurrecting the notorious "general warrants" or "writs of assistance" which the fourth amendment was supposed to have outlawed.

Murphy warned that "the principle established by the court today can be used as easily by some future government to suppress politi-

cal opposition under the guise of sedition as it can be used by a government determined to undo forgers and defrauders."

And Justice Felix Frankfurter observed: "How can there be freedom of thought, freedom of speech or freedom of religion, if the police can, without warrants, search your house and mine from garret to cellar merely because they are executing a warrant of arrest? How can men be free if all their papers may be searched, as an incident to the arrest of someone in the house, on the chance that something may turn up, or rather, be turned up? Yesterday the justifying document was an illicit ration book, tomorrow it may be some suspect piece of literature."

Chief Justice Fred Vinson, speaking for the majority, insisted that searches incident to a lawful arrest have been recognized as valid.

## Defer Action On Writ for Dessauere

Special to the Daily Worker

MINEOLA, N. Y., May 6.—Decision on a writ of habeas corpus for William J. Dessauere was today reserved until Thursday by Supreme Court Judge Charles C. Lockwood. After listening to defense attorney Stanley Faulkner's argument for the writ which would reverse a guilty verdict brought against him on Friday, Judge Lockwood gave the District Attorney until 5 p. m. tomorrow to file a contesting brief.

Dessauere was indicted on four counts of assault against four Rockville Centre cops, but was convicted on only one. At the time of the incident June 3, he was himself brutally beaten.

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## ONE VOICE IN CONGRESS

IN THE DEBATE over citing of Eugene Dennis, general secretary of the Communist Party, for contempt of the House of Representatives, Congressman Vito Marcantonio (ALP-NY) was the only one who courageously opposed the citation. Excerpts from his remarks in the debate follow:

Mr. MARCANTONIO. Mr. Speaker, the issues involved in these contempt proceedings are much more fundamental than the mere superficial and technical legalistic aspects of them. What I state now applies to the previous contempt proceedings. I shall vote against this one also, because of the issues of fundamental democracy involved.

I think it is quite apparent that the objective of this committee is to outlaw the Communist Party. I do not believe any member of the committee will deny it. I think they will admit it. As a matter of fact, one member of the committee, the gentleman from Mississippi [Mr. Rankin], stated so earlier in the day in one of his 1-minute speeches.

Such an objective, I submit to the calm and deliberate consideration of the Members of the House, is an unconstitutional objective and anti-democratic. These proceedings are in furtherance of that objective and therefore they are unconstitutional and anti-democratic.

We have a Constitution in this country and we are all striving to preserve it. Amendment No. 1 of that Constitution, in my opinion, is the cornerstone of the Bill of Rights of the American people. Weaken the spirit and the letter of that amendment and the constitutional democracy that you say you seek to preserve here this afternoon will be severely damaged.

That amendment, as you well know, guarantees the constitutional rights of individuals, freedom of the press and freedom of speech. That amendment was enacted not for the benefit of those who appeared to be in the majority but for the protection of those who were allegedly in the minority.

The courts of this country have often scrupulously, and properly so, defended that amendment time and time again. You are trying to do by indirection here what you cannot do by direct legal action. You are trying to outlaw the Communist Party. You are trying to do it by prosecutions, citations for contempt, and by investigations. Investigation, like the power to tax, becomes the power to destroy when the objective is to destroy. In this case, the objective is admittedly to destroy—to destroy and outlaw the Communist Party. You cannot circumvent the Constitution. For that reason, irrespective of the question, of the answer to the subpoena, or the nonanswer to the subpoena—irrespective of those questions, the fundamental question is the objective. The objective, therefore, being clearly unconstitutional, this proceeding is unconstitutional. Every measure taken to carry out an unconstitutional purpose must be treated by this Congress as a violation of the Constitution.

Further, the objective is anti-democratic. The same applies to these proceedings. This is not the first time that Americans have witnessed this hysterical persecution of those with whom the so-called majority disagree. We had it in the days of the Alien and Sedition Acts, the first time it was attempted in the Republic of the United States. It lasted for about 10 years. People were investigated and were prosecuted and it was political persecution. A wave of revulsion on the part of the real majority swept this country and not only wiped off the statute books the Alien and Sedition Acts but wiped out of power and into complete extinction the Federalist political party that was responsible for that kind of legislation.

Then, too, the question of foreign agents and foreign affiliation was raised. Those who were in the political saddle and who sought to protect the greedy economic sinecures that had been fraudulently obtained in the newly born republic sought to destroy and silence the opposition to what then was the forerunner of today's monopoly capital. They used the alien and sedition acts and they had to use a term and give that term an ugly connotation. The terms that were used then were Jacobin and Republican. Jefferson and the followers of Jefferson were subjected to the appellations of Jacobin and Republican. They were subjected to those appellations and were called foreign agents because they maintained at that time that the future of liberty in the world depended upon collaboration between the Republic of the United States and the new Republic of France. So, on domestic issues and on foreign policy, the Jeffersonians were labeled Jacobins and Republicans and everything that was said about the Jacobins and the Republicans by the Tory press in this country was quite similar to what is said today of the Communists. I recommend as required reading to the House, Claude Bowers' *Jefferson and Hamilton*.

We witnessed another example of this hysterical persecution of an alleged minority right after World War I. Then, they did not use the word "Communist." My colleagues from New York will remember the disgraceful spectacle which everybody today deplores when the New York State Legislature ejected from its halls the five Socialist members of the assembly. At that time the word was "Socialist," and the connotations given the word "Communist" today are the same as those given the word "Socialist" at that time. It was the technique employed by reaction then just as it is now to wage warfare against progress and democracy. No self-respecting American now condones the Palmer raids, of that period. And yet, they were condoned then with the same language and hysteria used now.



**No Junior, It's Not a Pussy Cat:** This amiable-looking beast is nicknamed the Tasmanian Devil, some people evidently feeling it doesn't measure up to standards of beastly beauty. One of two brought to the Bronx Zoo from Australia, its official moniker is *Sarcophilus Harrisii*. The head's big enough for a lion, with mouth to match. The body's like that of an undersized pig.

## PESTBROOK WIGLER, ROVING REPORTER



"... But I'm an anti-Communist!"  
"I don't give a damn what kind of Communist you are."

## CZECHS' 2-YEAR PLAN

By Walter Storm

PRAGUE.

THE TWO-YEAR PLAN has been operating for only three months, but it has already paid its first dividends to the Czechoslovak people. This week the Czechoslovak Parliament passed two laws, and introduced a third which will bring about a substantial improvement in the living standard of the entire people.

The first law reduces prices in almost the whole range of consumers goods. The second provides for increases in family allowances, ranging from seven to 40 percent, dependent on the size of families.

The third, which is still under discussion, but which should be passed early in May, reduces the income tax of the working class population by approximately 50 percent. It has been estimated that the overall reduction in the cost of living as a result of these measures, will exceed 12 percent.

These new laws come at the end of a particularly severe winter, in which floods, snowstorms and frost have slowed down factory schedules and held up transport all over the country. They emphasize in a strikingly practical way what can be achieved by full-scale economic planning, even in a country devastated by war.

PRICES IN Czechoslovakia have been high compared with pre-war, but they have still been lower than in other European countries. For example, prime beef, before the price cuts, was 45 cents a pound. Now a pound costs 38 cents. The average reduction in meat prices is about 12 percent. Milk and butter are down by 10 to 17 percent. Milk, which is plentiful, now costs two to three cents a pint, and butter, which is scarce, costs 80 cents a pound.

The sharpest price cuts are in workers' clothing and children's footwear. A worker's best suit now costs \$24, a worksuit costs \$4, and children's shoes cost approximately \$1 a pair. These represent reductions of from 20 to 40 percent.

What is remarkable is the way these price reductions have been introduced and the wide range they cover. It is a common economic phenomenon for prices to fall, but this usually follows a flooding of goods into the market. It takes place when supply overtakes demand. Yet this state has not yet been reached in Czechoslovakia. There is by no means a surplus of goods, and a strict rationing system is still necessary.

Moreover, when goods begin to accumulate in the shops, when the

sellers' market gives way to a buyers' market, the reduction in prices is always part and parcel of a savage attack on workers' wage rates and conditions. It heralds, in other words, the coming of a depression.

In Czechoslovakia wage rates are not only being maintained, but the reduction in income tax results in a virtual increase in wages.

BY WHAT economic alchemy is this possible? Who pays for the price cuts and increased social benefits? They are possible because the Two-Year Plan is a plan; because every part of Czechoslovak industry works as an integral part of a coordinated machine.

In the present cases, the profits do not nearly match the price cuts that have been made in particular industries. The mechanism employed is the "balancing fund" to which all enterprises, nationalized and private, have to contribute one to four percent of their gross income.

THERE ARE, of course, other reasons why these cuts and benefits are possible now. One reason is that commodities are not loaded with a whole pile of middlemen's profits before they reach the public. And in this regard the position will even improve, for there is a campaign on now to nationalize those chain stores and wholesale enterprises which still remain in private hands.

Another reason is that the supply of goods, and prices is not subject to the whims of the market. There is no question of speculating in foodstuffs, for example, of holding back supplies against a rise in prices, or of creating artificial shortages. Production for use, not for profit, is the prime motive of Czechoslovakia's economic life.

## WORTH REPEATING

"I have often noted that many of our comrades are fond of speaking about the popularization of art, but what is 'popularization'? It means that the ideas and emotions of our cultural workers should be merged with the ideas and emotions of workers, peasants and soldiers. In order to weld this unity, we must start by learning the language of the people."—Mao Tse-Tung, in an address to a meeting of Chinese Communist Party members.

## Press Roundup

## Lippmann Drags Out Old Lies About USSR

THE HERALD TRIBUNE'S Walter Lippmann drags out all the old lies about the Soviet Union to dispose of the Stalin-Stassen interview and prove U. S.-Soviet cooperation is impossible. It's not a question of economic cooperation, says Lippmann. "The question is whether Stalin and his lieutenants in the Kremlin will accept a settlement which fixes the limits of the expansion of the Soviet State, and outside those limits no more power for the local Communist parties than they are able to achieve under the rules and customs of ordinary democratic politics." Lippmann wants no cooperation. He wants one-way submission to the dictates of the policy-makers for whom he speaks.

THE TIMES also loves the Truman Doctrine and wants no cooperation with the Soviet Union. The problem now facing the U. S. is one of "systematizing America's foreign policy and all its parts into an organic whole, in line with the proclaimed principles and, above all, in realization of the fact that we can no longer wait for Russian cooperation but must proceed in partnership with all who will join us in organizing the world for mutual security and economic reconstruction. That does not mean abandonment of the concept of One World but rather its partial realization without Russia as the only way of showing the government of that country the advantage of joining us." The Times may be willing to settle for half of One World, but the democratic peoples involved aren't.

THE WORLD-TELEGRAM is elated. Its ace reporter, Frederick Woltman, won the Pulitzer Prize for his fabricated attacks on Communists. "Joseph Pulitzer's almost boundless admiration for brilliant reporters was as well known as his ardent Americanism," the Telly says. "He would have been glad as is the World Telegram to have his coveted reporter's prize go this year to Communist-exposing, fearless Freddie Woltman."

THE SUN declares that French Premier Paul Ramadier "will gain credit abroad as well as in France for having acted courageously"—that is, ousting the Communist ministers. Yes, abroad, Ramadier will get credit from the followers of the Truman Doctrine, and in France from the followers of de Gaulle.

PM'S Max Lerner says: "Stalin was wrong, and Stassen right on the question of the economic possibility of averting a depression. But on the question of political probability—whether an American Congress and its corporate masters are likely to take the necessary action in the next few years—I suspect Stalin was close to being right."

THE NEWS used to say that without price control there would be plenty of everything and prices would go down. Now it's wailing: "Prices ARE high. But so are raw materials, wages, taxes and every thing else." And, of course, it all started, according to the News, with wages.



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## The Pulitzer Awards

THE Pulitzer prize awards this year were clearly made with definite political calculations in mind.

Fred Woltman of the Scripps-Howard chain was deliberately singled out for his special kind of deceitful, false, terroristic journalism in which he has become a specialist.

The "Woltman treatment" has become notorious. This hireling of Big Business publishers has smeared hundreds of trade unionists, Roosevelt New Dealers, and just plain non-political citizens on the front pages of his bosses' newspapers.

His political sneak tactic has been based on the theory borrowed from German Nazism that Communists are criminals, that any non-Communist American who joins in any progressive movement of any kind whatsoever must defend himself against Woltman, and pass the Woltman scrutiny or face political blackmail.

There has not been a single liberal cause in the U.S.A. which has not felt the bullying attacks of this scurrilous journalist. He has fought against such causes as public housing, anti-Franco movements, anti-fascist committees; he has tried to generate an atmosphere of fear, suspicion, and cowardice wherever he was able.

THIS is the subverter of political progressivism whom the Pulitzer Committee decided to hold up as a model to American journalists.

Brooks Atkinson, of The New York Times, was rewarded for his horrendous and hysterical accounts of the alleged war-mindedness of the Soviet leaders, an account utterly negated by more honest observers, and refuted by every word and action of that government.

In the same vein, the prize cartoon was a snide attack on every American workingman who dared to ask for higher wages, depicting higher wages as inevitably dogged by higher prices.

This is a falsification of economic fact and theory, and was carefully chosen to help Big Business perpetuate its looting of the national wealth through record-breaking profits.

IN short, the Pulitzer Committee, created to honor any bold challenge of entrenched privilege, acted as a political errand boy of the most tory-minded right wing groups in the nation's political and cultural life.

It demonstrably ignored the one play of the season—Arthur Miller's effective dramatization of war-time commercial corruption, All Their Sons.

That the Pulitzer Award was instantly hailed by that ominous police chief, J. Edgar Hoover, should perhaps open the eyes of many. For it was J. Edgar Hoover who was officially rebuked 20 years ago by Attorney General Stone (later Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court) for his conspiracy to transform his office into an all-powerful POLITICAL POLICE checking on the political ideas and actions of progressives.

## Supreme Court Decision

FIVE judges voted to permit the FBI the right to search any American home without a search warrant, in clear violation of the Fourth Amendment. In words freighted with warning, the four dissenting judges led by Murphy and Frankfurter, stated:

"The principle established by the Court today can easily be used by some future government determined to suppress political opposition under the guise of sedition..."

Wise and timely words.

The Woltmans and Peglers of the country are riding high on the wave of the Hitler-like "red scare" fomented by the Un-American Committee.

But they are not all-powerful. Nor is victory inevitable for them and their employers.

The conspiracy to cow American opinion into silence, into meek acceptance of the ruinous Truman Doctrine and its reactionary consequences will, we are sure, yet meet defeat on the rock of the American people's devotion to democratic liberty.

## CHART OF PRICES



## Letters From Our Readers

Mayer Takes  
Hitler's Road

New York.

Editor, Daily Worker:  
Following is a letter I have sent to Louis B. Mayer of MGM:

"In making such a film as your recently announced 'Red Danube,' you are taking the same road Hitler and Mussolini took to get the world into war against Russia.

"No decent-minded Americans will want to see such a film because they have seen and known what the Russian people did to save democracy for the whole world.

"The Un-American Committee and any other traitorous reactionaries who are ordering such films already stand accused by millions of honest people in America and every other country.

"As one of these people, as a loyal American citizen, a writer and a parent of an ex-soldier in World War II, I am herewith sending you my individual protest.

"For every day, with such disgraceful sell-outs, as this becoming known to the people, more and more will add their voices to that of Henry Wallace in urging American-Soviet friendship as the key to world peace.

"What you are offering us is a bloody key to more prisons and death."

ROSA PRINGLE.

Appreciates New  
Radio Column

New York

Editor, Daily Worker:

I have noticed in the DW and Worker for the past month consistently enlarged radio listings and general coverage through James Kepner's news items and radio roundup. You are to be congratulated for these improvements which, I am sure, most readers appreciate.

EUGENE KONECKY

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Editor, Daily Worker:

If France had a Parliamentary group called the Committee on Un-French Affairs, you could expect a Deputy named Le Rankin to say:

"May Day is a foreign holiday imported from the U. S. A. We do not want to take any orders from Chicago."

We said—if France had such a Committee. But they're smarter in France.

JOSEPH LEEDS.

## WASHINGTON NOTES

### Astoria Finds Big News in Tiny Type

By Rob F. Hall



"I DON'T WANT to be a file clerk all my life," said Astoria. "And I'm not fascinated by this new job you've put me to—being a columnist's 'girl Friday.'" "You may not be great shakes at filing," I responded brightly, "but at this other job, you're a tremendous success. You've been getting fan mail even since I put you in a couple of columns."

"Fan mail I need like a hole in the head," said Astoria. "I want to be a journalist like you—well, anyway, I want to be a journalist." "Your ambition is commendable but your nomenclature is lousy," I said. "I am not a journalist. A journalist is a reporter who carries a cane, and is addressed as Mister. I do not carry a cane and the press agents call me 'Hey you.' But I should be very happy to impart my journalistic knowledge to you."

"Oke," replied Astoria. "Let's begin."

I HANDED HER a batch of today's Washington newspapers. "Look them over and tell me what you think is the most important news in the capital today," I said.

For 15 minutes Astoria pored over the pages. Her usually smoothed and unruffled forehead was drawn in a perplexed frown.

"Ah! Now I've got it," she exclaimed. Pointing to two headlines on page one, she said:

"The two big stories today are first, Washington is to have daylight saving time, and second, Mexico's President Aleman is visiting the city."

"How did you arrive at that conclusion?" I asked.

"Why, it's easy as pie," she said. "They are the headline stories."

"An understandable error," I commented, "inasmuch as the city editors of Washington's four dailies also committed it. But I submit the most important story is so well concealed in small type on the inner pages, you will have to dig for it."

"VERY WELL," said Astoria with a resigned air. "If this is going to be a lecture course, get on with it."

"On page 10 you will find that Henry Wallace had a press con-

ference," said. "If you read the story, you will find that the former vice president, a close associate of FDR, declared that he had a fundamental disagreement with the foreign policy of the present leader of the Democratic Party, Mr. Truman. You will learn that Mr. Wallace is so lukewarm about the man in the White House he refused to pledge to support him in 1948.

"Now if you will turn a few pages, you will find that almost simultaneously with Wallace's press conference, a human vermin by the name of Gerald L. K. Smith was also talking with reporters. This native fascist and anti-Semite endorsed the President's foreign policy and said if Truman continues on this course, he and his fellow fascists will support him for the Presidency in 1948.

"I contend this is big news. Its meaning is clear. The leadership of the Democratic Party has changed so rapidly in two short years since Roosevelt's death that a genuine New Deal Democrat must disassociate himself from it. And a fascist who hated Roosevelt and everything he stood for now brazenly comes forward with an endorsement of the present Democratic policies and leadership!"

ASTORIA FORGOT about journalism. The yearning for knowledge was replaced by seething indignation.

"The bums," she said. "What would the people do if they knew this?"

"They would probably decide, as Wallace has apparently decided, that unless the progressive Democrats take over the leadership of the party and return it to the policies of FDR, the party is sunk. In that case, they'll want a liberal, progressive party."

"There ought to be a daily newspaper to tell people this," said Astoria.

"Astoria," I cried, "have you forgotten? There is one, and you work for it."

"Yeah, but maybe I don't work hard enough." Then she looked at me piercingly. "Maybe you don't either. How about speaking at my branch tonight on the circulation drive?"



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## WHAT'S WHAT WITH THE VETS

# Oh, Give Me a Home

By Lester Rodney

Paul Griffith, Commander of the American Legion and self-proclaimed "arch foe of Communism," said in a speech this January that the government, by adopting the Legion program for abandonment of price controls would solve the housing crisis in 1947.

If it weren't so tragic it would be funny.

It's far from funny to see 4,000,000 American veterans in need of homes (Federal Census Bureau estimate).

### DIRTIEST BETRAYAL

Lifting the controls on housing construction and scuttling the Wyatt plan for low cost vet homes was one of the dirtiest betrayals in our country's history.

It was a conscious, deliberate go ahead signal to the big building outfits to forget the guys who saved

Hot on the heels of our series on veterans, Wall Street's afternoon newspaper, the New York Sun, launched its own series of three with an article on housing. Here is how the vet situation looks from the Chase National Bank: "Some are doing well, some better, some worse. This last group is a minority. . ."

their skins, leave them living doubled and tripled up, and make all the profits the traffic would bear. If these are strong words, it's a strong situation. It stinks to the high heavens. It's not what we fought for.

Last year 1,000,000 starts were made on dwellings under the beginnings of the now defunct Wyatt program. This year it is conceded that new dwellings started will not exceed 750,000, and they will proba-

bly not even reach 500,000.

These figures sum up the destruction of the veterans' housing program by the Republican big-wigs and their yes-men in the Truman Administration.

### MORE TORN DOWN

Figures may not make interesting reading, but bear with a few more if you want to know what's going on and what has to be done.

The New York Times admits that since the end of the war New York City has lost more homes through demolition and deterioration than have been built. Last year, 4,578 new dwellings were erected in New York and 8,926 torn down or boarded up. In the race of new construction against demolition and deterioration, demolition and deterioration are winning! If this sounds incredible call the New York Times. Or, better still, ask a vet who needs a home.

Before the New York Housing Authority folded up its registration for homes as a cruel hoax, 80,000 vets had already registered. Two-thirds of them were doubled up with in-laws. The average price they could afford for an apartment was \$45. Try to find that apartment today.

### INTO THE BLUE

With controls out and Legion head Griffith's "free enterprise" men turned loose, already high costs have soared into the wild blue yonder. It has become prohibitive for the average ex-GI to buy, rent or build a home.

Commercial construction has

boomed tremendously (though even last year everyone saw commercial buildings going up in callous defiance of Wyatt's request). Commercial construction, let us hastily add, is more profitable than low-priced veterans' housing.

The important thing to know in this situation is that private enterprise does not want to solve the housing scarcity. So long as a scarcity is artificially maintained in this land of modern technique and available materials, so long will rents, profits and real estate values remain inflated.

The heavy sugar is in commercial building and luxury housing, not in apartments for the guys who can pay \$45 or less.

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# BUILDING The Communist Party

By RECRUITER

ALL THE organs of capitalist propaganda thunder at the people to keep away from the Communist Party. Yet, more than 4,000 in New York State alone have joined since March 1. The achievement is remarkable. Let's see those new thousands at the Madison Square Garden meeting on May 14.

Of all the lies we Communists have to contend with, the slickest, the hardest to handle, is the foreign agent lie. It puts us in the position of the man who is falsely accused of beating his wife. Can he produce evidence that he doesn't beat her? Can he get out of it by citing his ethics, his war record, the exemplary lives of his parents, or the testimony of the wife herself? Various state committees of the Communist Party have offered substantial rewards for anyone who can produce one jot of evidence in support of the lie. No one has stepped forward. The lie must be handled. But let's not fall into the trap of arguing the case like lawyers. It must be answered by fighters who are seen fighting for what they believe in, who proudly ask others to join the Communist Party, who know how to skillfully refuse lies and passionately proclaim truths.

Coming soon to your local club: a 16mm, four-color film on why a Communist Party and structure and program of the Communist Party. Now in preparation, the film is especially designed for new members.

Without prompting from the club, a group of recruits met to discuss Party-building. Out of the meeting came a challenge to veteran Party members. This happened, by the way, in lower Manhattan, where they plan to reach their June 1 membership quota by the Madison Square Garden meeting.

Reports from the Bronx claim that new members' classes grow from session to session. The new members are recruiting.

The "slip of a girl" who threw a party for 25 workers and recruited seven, has done it again. Last week she brought 11 of her shopmates home for supper, and then to hear Councilman Ben Davis, Jr. She signed up five more. I understand she's not really a "slip." She's all there.

The Hamlets of the Communist Party who moodily debate the question to recruit or not to recruit may be helped by the following incident:

Two years ago, a Communist asked a friend of his to join the Party and when she accepted he was of course delighted. What he didn't know was that she joined because she didn't want to offend him by a refusal. Very bad situation. Anyway, he took her to meetings. . .

Last week she told this story at a Party-building rally in Hicksville, L. I. And everyone laughed

because this same woman is today the chairman of the Franklin Square Club, an outstanding Negro leader in Nassau County, and the recruiter of 14 members in this drive. None laughed harder than Jim Faber, chairman of the Communist Party of Nassau. For when Jim joined ever so many years ago he hadn't the slightest intention of staying in and, in fact, asked that his membership be voided.

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**MORNING**  
11:00-WOR-News-Prescott Robinson  
●WNBC-Fred Waring Show  
WJZ-Breakfast With Breneman  
WQXR-Arthur Godfrey  
WQXR-News; Other People's Business-Alma Dettinger  
11:15-WOR-Tello-Test-Quiz  
11:30-WNBC-Jack Berch Show  
WOR-Kate Smith Serenade  
WJZ-Hollywood Story-Sketch  
WQXR-Grand Slam, Musical Quiz  
WQXR-Musical Personalities  
11:45-WNBC-Lora Lawton-Sketch  
WOR-Talk-Victor Lindahl  
WJZ-Ted Malone-Talk  
WQXR-Rosemarie-Sketch

## AFTERNOON

12:00-WNBC-News Reports  
WOR-Home Edition-News  
WJZ-Kenny Baker Show  
WQXR-News; Kate Smith's Chat  
WQXR-News; Luncheon Concert  
12:15-WABC-Metropolitan News  
WOR-Checkerboard Jamboree  
WQXR-Aunt Jenny's Stories  
12:30-WNBC-Maggy McNellis  
WOR-News; So This Is Love  
WJZ-News; Talk-Nancy Craig  
WQXR-Helen Trent  
12:45-WNBC-Post Parade-Show Tunes  
WQXR-Our Gal Sunday  
1:00-WNBC-Mary Margaret McBride  
WOR-Better Half Matinee  
WJZ-H. R. Baukhage, News  
WQXR-Big Sister-Sketch  
●WQXR-News; Midday Symphony  
1:15-WJZ-Powers Charm School  
WQXR-Ma Perkins  
1:30-WOR-Listen Here, Ladies  
WQXR-Young Dr. Malone-Sketch  
WJZ-Galen Drake  
1:45-WNBC-Gov. Dwight Green of Illinois  
WOR-The Answer Man  
WQXR-Road of Life-Sketch  
2:00-WNBC-Today's Children-Sketch  
WOR-Daily Dilemmas  
WJZ-Kiernan's Corner  
WQXR-Second Mrs. Burton  
WQXR-News; Program Favorites  
2:15-WNBC-Woman in White-Sketch  
WJZ-The Woman's Exchange  
WQXR-Perry Mason-Sketch  
2:30-WNBC-Masquerade-Sketch  
WOR-Daily Dilemmas  
WJZ-Bride and Groom  
WQXR-Lone Journey-Sketch  
WQXR-Curtain at 2:30

2:45-WNBC-Light of the World-Sketch  
WQXR-Rose of My Dreams  
WQXR-Musical Memory Game  
WJZ-Ladies Be Seated  
3:00-WNBC-Life Can Be Beautiful  
WOR-Martha Deane Program  
WQXR-Bouquet for You  
WQXR-News; Opera House  
3:15-WNBC-Ma Perkins  
3:30-WNBC-Pepper Young's Family  
WOR-Rambling With Gambling  
WJZ-Pat Barnes-Talk  
WQXR-Winner Take All  
3:45-WNBC-Right to Happiness  
WJZ-Studio Tour  
4:00-WNBC-Backstage Wife  
WOR-Ask Dr. Toby  
WJZ-Tommy Bartlett Show  
WQXR-House Party  
●WQXR-News; Symphonic Matinee  
4:15-WNBC-Stella Dallas-Sketch  
4:25-WNBC-News Reports  
4:30-WNBC-Lorenzo Jones-Sketch  
WOR-Barry Gray Show  
WJZ-Cliff Edwards, Songs  
WQXR-Hollywood Jackpot  
4:45-WNBC-Young Wilder Brown  
WOR-Adventure Parade  
WJZ-Dick Tracy-Sketch  
5:00-WNBC-When a Girl Marries  
WOR-Hop Harrigan-Sketch  
WJZ-Terry and the Pirates  
WQXR-School of the Air  
WQXR-News; Today in Music  
5:15-WNBC-Portia Faces Life  
●WOR-Superman-Sketch  
WJZ-Sky King-Sketch  
WQXR-Latin-American Rhythms  
5:30-WNBC-Just Plain Bill  
WOR-Captain Midnight  
WJZ-Jack Armstrong  
WQXR-Treasure Bandstand  
WQXR-Cocktail Time  
5:45-WNBC-Front Page Farrell  
WJZ-Tennessee Jed-Sketch  
WOR-Adventures of Tom Mix

**EVENING**  
6:00-WNBC-Eric Sevareid-News  
WHN-Ted Husing's Bandstand  
WJZ-News; Joe Hazel, Sports  
WMCA-News; Miniature Revue, Music  
WNBC-Kenneth Bannhart, News  
WOR-George Putnam, News  
6:15-WNBC-Report to American People, by Henry Wallace  
Forum  
WJZ-Ethel and Albert, Play  
WMCA-Mr. Hollywood; Music  
WNBC-Serenade to America  
WOR-Bob Elson, Interviews  
6:25-WQXR-New York News  
6:30-WNBC-Red Barber, Sports  
WJZ-Allen Prescott, Comments  
WMCA-Racing Results  
WOR-Vandeventer, News  
WQXR-Dinner Concert  
6:40-WNBC-Bill Stern  
6:45-WNBC-Robert Trout, News  
WHN-Adrienne Ames, B'way News  
WJZ-The Fitzgeralds; Chatter  
WNBC-Lowell Thomas, News  
WOR-Stan Lomax  
7:00-WNBC-Mystery of the Week, Play  
●WJZ-Headline Edition  
WMCA-News; Hollywood Harmonies  
WNBC-Chesterfield Supper Club  
WOR-Fulton Lewis, News  
WQXR-News; Concert Stage  
7:15-WNBC-Jack Smith, Songs  
WHN-Sports Final  
WJZ-Elmer Davis  
WNBC-World News  
WOR-Answer Man  
7:30-WJZ-Lone Ranger, Play  
WQXR-Elery Queen, Mystery

●WMCA-J. Raymond Walsh, Comments  
WNBC-Blue Barron Orchestra  
WOR-Strange As It Seems  
1:45-WMCA-Musical Playhouse  
WNBC-H. V. Kaltenborn, Comments  
WNEW-Jeff Clark, News  
WOR-Bill Brandt, Sports

8:00-WJZ-Lum 'n' Abner  
●WQXR-Jack Carson, Comedy  
WMCA-News; Report on UN  
WNBC-Dennis Day, Comedy  
WOR-Can You Top This? Comedy  
●WQXR-News; Symphony Hall  
8:15-WJZ-Bobby Doyle Show  
8:30-WNBC-Dr. Christian, Play  
WHN-Bunkhouse Jamboree, Music  
WJZ-Court of Missing Heirs  
WMCA-Music That Lives  
WNBC-Great Gildersleeve, Comedy  
WOR-To Be Announced  
8:55-WNBC-Bill Henry, News  
9:00-WMCA-News; Concert on the Mall  
●WJZ-Paul Whiteman Show

●WQXR-Frank Sinatra Songs  
●WNBC-Duffy's Tavern, Comedy  
WNEW-Pleasure Parade  
WOR-Gabriel Heatter, News  
WQXR-News; Concert Hall  
9:15-WNEW-American Theatre Wing  
WOR-Real Stories  
9:30-WJZ-Beulah Program  
●WQXR-Dinah Shore, Music Variety  
●WMCA-Leiland Stowe, U.F. Union Commentator  
●WNBC-Mr. District Attorney  
WOR-Let's Go to the Movies  
WQXR-Designs in Harmony, Music  
9:45-WQXR-Great Names, Records  
10:00-WMCA-News; Footlight Revue

●WQXR-The Whistler, Sketch  
●WJZ-Bing Crosby, Variety  
WNBC-The Big Story-Play  
WOR-Did Justice Triumph?  
WQXR-Opera Preview  
10:30-WMCA-News  
●WQXR-Information Please, Quiz  
●WJZ-Henry Morgan, Comedy  
●WNBC-Kay Kyser, Music Quiz  
●WOR-Symphonic  
WQXR-Just Music  
●WAAT (Newark, 970 kc.)-N. J. State Comm. of the Communist Party  
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## On the Scoreboard

By Lester Rodney

**QUICK INTERVIEW** with Johnny Neun, freshman manager of the Cincinnati Reds:

"No, I don't see that supposed difference between the American and National League," the ex-Yankee coach said in the lobby of the Hotel Roosevelt. "They look alike to me. It's foolish to talk about a 'power league' and a 'pitching league,' or a 'fast ball league' and curve ball league. There's some of both in the National and American."

"The teams with the power play it that way, for the long hit, and the teams without the power play it close to the vest. That's the same in either league."

Johnny was a little reticent on estimating the chances of the Reds to move up from their sixth place finish of last year. His team is loaded with first and second year youngsters and he hasn't yet seen the whole league.

He did put in a word for rookie outfielder Baumholz, the basketball star who has been hitting the fences as though they were backboards. On the oft-debated question of whether participation in another sport, like basketball, hurts a baseball career, Neun said:

"Well, Bucky Harris was a great professional basketball star and so was Bucky Walters. Marius Russo played for LIU too as I recall."

To that list we added Lou Boudreau, all Big Ten court star for Illinois, and Jackie Robinson, leading scorer on the Pacific Coast for UCLA and agreed that basketball stardom did not preclude big league baseball stardom.

Neun said the loss of Augie Galan through a pulled leg muscle hurt the ball club. Old Augie had been whacking the ball. The other old timer on the club, Eddie Miller, a light hitting shortstop, has clouted five home runs and how did Neun explain that?

"Don't ask me, ask Miller," he said with a smile. "They do say he's always been a good spring hitter, though."

Rabbit ball this year?

"Not so I could notice."

A few words of respect and warning on the Pittsburgh Pirates—"They have good power and will score plenty. Greenberg will hit homers," and Neun was on the way to the Polo Grounds where his youngsters promptly proceeded to make mincemeat of the inhabitants of that beautiful ball park.

### Rickey and Breadon

THE NORTHEY DEAL has a lot of angles. Here's another one. Who can remember the last time the Cardinals, daddies of the farm system, had to go after an established star on another team? Before Northey, there wasn't a man on the entire Card roster who had played for another big league team, a very unique fact.

Truth is the Card farm system is slipping—has been slipping since Branch Rickey left Sam Breadon on his own in St. Louis. Branch was the real organizer and judge of talent out there, and now it's Brooklyn whose farms are dropping their ripe ballplayers into Ebbets Field almost too fast for one team to digest.

### Ben Chapman Again

THE NATIONAL LEAGUE has its own version of basketball's Everett Shelton. Ben Chapman, manager of the Phils, encourages some of his players to shout derogatory remarks at ball players of minority origin. "Wop" and "Polack" are heard from the Philly dugout, called out by a little group of three or four who follow their leader. This same Philly clique, again encouraged openly by manager Chapman, has the disgrace of making its team the only one in the circuit to shout K.K.K. abuse at Jackie Robinson, Dodgers' Negro first baseman.

Chapman "defends" his position just about as Shelton defended his anti-Jewish, anti-Negro slurs against the CCNY basketball team last winter. He says he's just being descriptive, and spares nobody. "Baseball is a tough game and someone who wants to stay up there has to be able to take it," he explains.

It might be recalled that Chapman as a player became embroiled with Yankee Stadium fans, shouting cracks about Jews at bleacherites, and was traded away by the Yanks for this reason, though a good ball player.

Philly fans might well remind Chapman, otherwise a promising manager, that we fought a war recently (a war in which he didn't happen to serve), a war in which Americans of Italian, Polish, Negro and Jewish descent fought together.

I don't think ball players of those extractions are going to be satisfied with his explanation.

## NL Pilots Still See Card Comeback

The St. Louis Cardinals may be near a panic over their ineptness this spring but the other National League managers aren't worried. They aren't exactly sorry at spotting the Cards in the cellar but they're unanimous—those pilots who have seen them—that a big St. Louis splurge is on the way. "Take a guy like Stan Musial," mused Charlie Grimm of the Chicago Cubs. "He got only one hit in five games with us, a bloop single in the first game at St. Louis. How long do you think that can last?"

"The whole team was the same way, but don't worry. They'll start hittin'. And when they do, we'll feel it."

Manager Billy Herman of the Pittsburgh Pirates saw the world champs only once but he's convinced, although the Bucs won 8 to

5 on a grand slam homer by Billy Cox.

"The strength in our league is at the top and bottom right now," Herman said. "Brooklyn on top and the Cards in the cellar look like the only sound teams in the league."

"The rest of us all are 'I' team. If we get our homers from Hank Greenberg and Ralph Kiner and some real pitching help from Kirby Higbe and Hank Berhman, who came in the Dodger deal, we'll be sound. The Cubs can do it if shortstop Lennie Merullo steadies down. Boston can do it with top pitching from fellows like Mort Cooper, Johnny Sain, Warren Spahn and Charley Barrett."

Manager Johnny Neun of Cincinnati caught the Cards before their tailspin made them look like an ordinary ball club to the rest of the league, but the Reds won two of three.

"In that game we lost they gave us a look of what can happen," Neun said. "We had them shut out until the eighth and they broke



CHOLLY GRIMM

## Dodgers Trip Cards

By Bill Mardo

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### ROUNDUP

A quick roundup of the boxing beat:

Ezzard Charles continued to move toward serious recognition as a September challenger for Joe Louis, when he outpointed the very classy Archie Moore in Cincy the other night. Ezzard floored his foe for a nine count in the seventh heat—but Archie weathered it and came back fighting. Local scribes who traveled to get a line on Charles, came back impressed. Garden fans will get their first peek at the new Negro phenomenon when he makes his debut here in June or July against a yet unnamed opponent.

CHESTER RICO took a surprise drubbing from young and promising Rocco Rossano at St. Nick's Monday pee-em. The veteran Bronxite who had been going great guns of late, just didn't have what it takes to hold off the kid from Brooklyn, whose stinging and unerring left brought him his 24th win in 25 starts as a pro.

SMUGGY HURSEY, rapidly growing out of the welterweight ranks, scored an impressive victory over Aaron Perry in the Capitol City

The rainbow some of us see at the end of every shower was in brilliant display at Ebbets Field yesterday, as the Brooklyn Dodgers greeted the end of a four-day rainy spell with a thrilling 7-6 win over the St. Louis Cards to take an eight-game lead over last year's champs.

With Leo Durocher rooting them on from a box-seat behind first base, the battling Brooks wiped out a 6-2 deficit by tying it up in the sixth stanza, and came on to clinch it with Pee-wee Reese's homerun in the next frame.

The Dodgers were able to say "Mission Completed" at the end of a three-hour battle—but it took an old-fashioned never-say-die comeback to do it. And a large share of the credit goes to fireman Hughie Casey, who came in from the bullpen in the seventh to gain a victory which his two predecessors, Joe Hatten and Hal Gregg, were not quite up to.

Lefty Hatten pitched perfectly, and with a 2-0 lead going into the fourth, seemed well on the way toward his third straight victory. But the wizard suddenly deserted his arm as Northey and Musial led off

the fourth inning with successive walks. Whitey Kurowski then hit a freak single in the mud along third base to load the bases. Enos Slaughter collected the first of his two hits with a line drive single into right, scoring Northey and Musial to tie it up at 2-all. Hatten was promptly yanked and Hal Gregg came in. But Dick Sisler, pinch hitting for Terry Moore, singled into short left, Kurowski crossing the platter with the Mississippians' third rally.

The Cards added insult to injury with three more runs in the fifth. uncorked a wild pitch which sent Kurowski scurrying across with the fifth Cardinal score. Sisler then hit a grounder to Reese, who bobbed it as Slaughter streaked home with the sixth Redbird tally.

Brooklyn started to come back in the bottom half of that same frame. Walker led off with a walk, and Hermanski continued his clutch hitting with a single to center. Edwards lined out to Schoendienst, but the Card second sacker threw wildly to first on the double play attempt and Walker scored to make it 6-3.

But the big inning was saved for the sixth. Duke Snider, batting for Chandler, started it off with a single into center. Cheers turned to groans when Ed Stanky promptly lined to Musial for a twin-killing. But Jackie Robinson started the fire burning all over again as he hit a 3-2 pitch sharply into leftfield for his second single of the day. The two-out rally picked up speed when Reiser drew a walk off George Munger. The Card starter fed another pass to Walker, filling the bases and that was all for the righthander.

The Cards left the field more solidly than ever established in the National League basement—and what a surprise bargain that is for the rest of the league!

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## Reds Rout Errant Giants, 11 to 6

That weather, very wet for May, didn't do the Giants any good. Returning from their layoff, they went into a nose dive before the concentrated attack of the Cincinnati Reds yesterday at the Polo Grounds.

Not only were the Giant pitchers nothing to write home about, but 4 runs scored on errors of commission and 2 more when a fly ball drifted over rookie Bobby Thomson's head for a two bagger.

The Reds had two tallies almost before starter Monita Kennedy was properly warmed up. Frank Baumholz opened with a single, Bobby Adams walked, Baumholz scoring on Haas' single and Adams tallying on Lamanno's infield out.

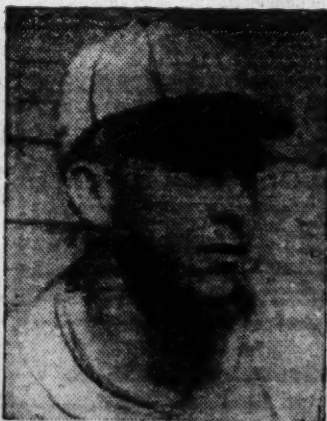
Bucky Walter started slowly too. Blattner singled, Rigney doubled to left and Eddie Miller mugged up Thomson's grounder for one. Cooper later dropped a single in left to score Rigney.

With 2 out in the 3rd and Hatten on base, Blattner let Haas' ground ball go through his legs. Lamanno singled, scoring Hatten,

and when Thomson threw to the plate instead of 2nd Lamanno took that base, tallying on Vollmer's single.

With Budnick pitching in the 5th, Baumholz singled and Adams again walked. Haas drove Baumholz in with a line hit to right and Thomson slipped after Lamanno's high fly. The ball rolled to the bleachers, scoring two runs. Gene Thompson came in and yielded a single to Vollmer to give the Reds a 7 run lead.

The Giants put on a dizzy show in the Reds' 9th. Haas walked and Lamanno singled to right. Mike booted Marshall's throw-in, the ball bouncing toward the plate, Haas racing home. Cooper pitched it up and tossed it wild to Andrews, the Giants' 4th pitcher, Lamanno making 3rd and scoring on when Lohrke threw wild on an easy grounder.



BILLY SOUTHWORTH

with all their runs — four. Musial and Marty Marion hit homers.

"It's still a strong club."

The Cards broke their nine-game losing streak up in Boston Sunday, thanks to a pair of homers by Ron Northey who moved to the St. Louis club in a deal with the Phillies.

"With or without Northey, the Cardinals have a fine array of material," said Boston's manager,

Billy Southworth. "They'll always be hard to beat."

The rest of the league apparently still has a healthy respect for the champs. They're not worried about the Cardinal slump—only about when they'll come out of it and how much damage they'll do.



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## Art Today

## A Look at the Juan Gris, Chagall, Blumberg Shows

By MARION SUMMERS

The overwhelming succession of one-man and group shows which flow through the museums and the 47 St. galleries is too much for this column to cope with. It is a physical impossibility to see everything and space permits only the most limited reviewing.

In the past few weeks there have been some fine shows which we have not had the opportunity to discuss. Among the most interesting was an exhibition at the Buchholz Gallery of works by the cubist painter, Juan Gris, who died in 1927. Gris was one of the most imaginative and sensitive artists working in this tradition. He was the one cubist who was not completely dominated by the tandem team of Picasso and Braque, and he managed in his short creative life to develop an idiom peculiarly his own. It is true that many of his works today seem thin and rather tentative. He had neither the amazing inventiveness of Picasso nor the lush taste of Braque. He had instead a precise, cool and elegant style. If one does not find in his works greatness, one will find there at least an honest simplicity coupled with true refinement.

Marc Chagall continues to pour out a wealth of sheer sensuous richness which is remarkable both in its consistency and volume. His latest exhibition at the Matisse Gallery consists of about a dozen oils and a series of gouache illustrations of the Arabian Knights. His qualities as a painter have not diminished. It all depends upon whether one has had enough of his jewel-like surfaces and sophisticated naïveté or has grown tired with its repetition. There is no denying Chagall's masterly handling of his medium. He remains the incomparable lyrical poet in paint of our day, pouring his heart out in poignant ecstasy. One wonders, however, why he can sing only of his own dream fetishes or of the fabled dreams of the Thousand and One Nights. As his art grows more opulent in coloristic effects it also grows more restricted and tenuous in significance.

An artist whose power has grown noticeably in the past year is Yuli Blumberg, now showing recent paintings at the ACA Gal-



Art Hodes, well known jazz pianist, will get together with a group of stellar New Orleans musicians in a Jazz Jamboree at Webster Hall this Friday night at 9. His group will play a program of improvised music, primarily for dancing. Appearing as commentator will be jazz critic Rudi Blesh. Among the guest stars slated to perform are Big Bill Broonzy, Cow Cow Davenport, Kaiser Marshall, Pee Wee Russell, Sidney Rochet,



Gaby Casademus of the famous piano team will be a soloist at the Music Salute to Spanish Republican Refugees at the Ziegfeld this Sunday night, May 11. Others who will join the Salute are Albert Spalding, Alexander Kipnis, Carol Brice, Marc Blitzstein, Mata and Earl, Miklos Gafni, Muriel Smith and the First Piano Quartette.

lery. Her color has become clearer and more brilliant, her emotional expression more forceful and direct. Here is a mature painter who speaks out of a deep humanity and compassion in a language which has breadth and richness. It is rather a pity that her very emotionality seems to be leading in some cases to obscurity and distortion.

Edward Melcarth, whose paintings were recently shown at Durlacher Brothers, is a young painter of decided talent. At first glance his obvious borrowing from the grand manner of the Baroque seems pompous and empty. But this is a conscious reversion to an older style of sweep and power which Melcarth seems to feel appropriate for the things he wants to say. He may, along these lines, eventually make important contributions to a social art. At present, however, he exhibits only promise and a good deal of confusion. He has not completely digested his borrowings and very often he descends to empty bravura and theatrics. He is most successful in his handling of ruins in which he captures the tragic desolation of our times. Most interesting are such pieces as *Rights of Man*, which presents a mass demonstration in heroic and dramatic terms. In this case unfortunately the inherent vigor of the scene is weakened by its theatrical staging. [Here at least is an artist who is projecting a social statement in an original manner and, though he is far from successful, one must admire his considered approach to the problem.]

At the Brooklyn Museum are two large exhibitions—The International Watercolor Exhibition and the Annual Print Show—which are rather forbidding in their vastness but worth seeing if one has the stamina. The American section of the watercolor show is a good cross section of what is being done in that medium in the country today. The prints should be of interest to the average person for here at least is art within the reach of most people.

## Ballet Theatre

Ballet Theatre, presented by Lucia Chase and Oliver Smith, in a three-week spring season at the N. Y. City Center, will revive Antony Tudor's *Dark Elegies* during its second week, on Thursday evening (May 8).

## Books

## 'The Gentle Bush'--Vital Novel Of Louisiana by Barbara Giles

By Samuel Sillen

In *The Gentle Bush*, Barbara Giles shows a subtlety of observation and mastery of craft rivaled by few American writers today. It is the most impressive first novel I have read in a long time, a work rich in its powers of satire and sympathy.

Miss Giles portrays the declining fortunes of the planting aristocracy in Louisiana at the turn of the century. The Durel family, descended from a Parisian merchant, achieved its land-owning splendor in the period of slavery. The Civil War, Reconstruction, the rise of capitalist economy have all had their impact on the Durels, and there is now a tragic-comic contrast between their image of themselves and the reality of their social positions.

The title of the novel is derived from a verse by Carl Sandburg:

"Let the gentle bush dig its root deep  
And spread upward to split one boulder."

The boulder is the Durel family, with its three branches, and by extension the whole feudalistic hang-over in the South. The force splitting the boulder is shown most clearly in the characters of Michel Durel, in full-scale revolt against the benighted tradition, and of Peter Boudreaux, the Cajun who marries Michel's cousin Felicie.

The Cajuns are an important part of the picture in this Louisiana novel. They are the people of French Acadian peasant stock (Cajun is a corrupt form of Acadian) who are sentimentally celebrated in Longfellow's *Evangeline*. Having migrated from Nova Scotia to the bayou region, they are treated as inferior commoners by the haughty plantation owners.

The two social classes, both of French descent, have traditionally kept quite apart, and the breaking up of the caste pattern is here symbolized by the marriage of a Cajun Boudreaux and an aristocratic (though now quite poor) Durel.

The novel is richly peopled with several generations of Durels, but the remarkable thing is that we do not get bogged down in mere genealogy. For each of the many aunts and uncles is sharply defined, whether it be Tante Leone who breaks away by marrying a Chicago

*The Gentle Bush*, by Barbara Giles, Harcourt, Brace; \$3.50.

merchant, or Tante Lizette, whose satisfaction in life is tears and mourning gowns.

While the poorer branch of the Durels now lives on sentimental memories, the prosperous Agricole is a tough-fisted business man of the new era. His daughter Nicole is a tragic victim of the inbred, rigid family life, and her suicide is a moving passage in the book. Nicole's brother Michel breaks away from the heritage. He fights the feudal attitude toward the Negroes, and his closeness to the Cajun Peter Boudreaux brings him into collision with the prejudices of the caste system. The conflict flares into a grim scene of murder following the effort to organize a progressive political movement with Peter as a candidate for office.

Revealing a little-known segment of American life, the novel lifts itself out of the "regional" category. For the local "atmosphere," while vividly recreated, does not hide the living people, who are seen with shrewd psychological insight. The reality of money and money relations is expressed here with a wonderful comic sense that doesn't stumble into caricature. Siding with Michel and Nicole, with Peter and Felicie, against cruelty, false pride, and hypocrisy, the novelist has written a devastating commentary on a decaying world, and she has done so in a distinctively rhythmic and sensuous prose style. It makes not for hasty, but for rewarding reading.

The novel has certain limitations. I feel that the key character of Michel is not fully realized; he remains for me a little shadowy and in certain respects too suggestive of a romantic tradition which the novel as a whole is repudiating. The Cajuns we see mainly in terms of Peter; the variety of characterization that we get in the Durels is missing here; and in the end, when Cajuns become tools of their own enemies, we may accept the fact,

but we have not been given enough background to understand the reasons.

But whatever the faults, this novel is a striking evidence of a new and rich talent. Known previously only as an editor and critic (for some years she was on the editorial board of *New Masses*), Barbara Giles comes forward now as a really vital novelist in a fairly barren literary season.

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## ACW URGES TRUMAN TO VETO PORTAL BILL

The Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, yesterday called on President Truman to veto the so-called portal-to-portal bill, H. R. 2157. The CIO union charged the bill would emasculate the enforcement provisions of the Fair Labor Standards, Walsh-Healy and Bacon-Davis Acts.

"Enactment of the bill," said the ACW wire to Truman, "would reduce the great principle of minimum wage and maximum hour legislation to a sham and a pretense. We there-

fore urge that you not only veto this pernicious Bill but that you use your great influence with those Democrats who joined with the reactionary Republican majority in passing it in the Congress to assure their votes in support of your veto."

## Truman Doctrine Plagues Italian Pact

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON, May 6.—The campaign of anti-Soviet propaganda unleashed by the Truman administration to speed passage of the Greek-Turkish bill has boomeranged and now threatens to upset U.S. foreign policy.

The State Department found it necessary today to use its biggest guns against those who oppose prompt ratification of treaties with Italy and three satellite states.

Secretary of State Marshall and his predecessor James F. Byrnes appeared before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee to argue that failure to ratify these treaties would cost America the confidence of other nations. Marshall read to the committee a letter from President Truman declaring it "vital to our foreign policy that these treaties be promptly ratified."

Opponents of ratification, who included Adolph Berle, Jr. and Sumner Welles, former State Department officials, pointed out last week the glaring contrast between intervention in Greece and Turkey, as provided in the Truman plan, and more freedom for Italy resulting from application of the treaty.

### LETTER DENIES

The Truman letter sharply denied the contradiction and, in response to a question from Sen. Connally (D-Tex), Marshall asserted treaty ratification would strengthen the U.S. in its Greco-Turkish program.

Sen. Lodge (R-Mass), citing testimony that ratification of the treaty would be "a feather in the cap of Communists," asked Marshall what effect it would have on Communists in Italy. Marshall replied it would have a "beneficial effect for our democratic position" in the long run.

"There is a mixed situation in Italy, however," Marshall said, and added "there is also a mixed situa-

### tion in France."

He said the immediate result might help Italian Communists. "It might blow one way or another," he said.

Byrnes used the usual anti-Communist arguments to back up his plea for early ratification. Failure to ratify will "help only those who can exploit confusion and unrest," he said. Answering a question from Sen. Vandenberg (R-Mich), he stated uncertainty produces discontent and "communism breeds on discontent."

### BYRNES' CLAIM

In defending the Italian treaty, Byrnes claimed it represented a victory for the U. S. position against the Russian. Certain provisions which have met objections among anti-Soviet Senators were not introduced by the Soviets, he pointed out.

"Countries other than the Soviet Union differed with the U. S. particularly on the subject of reparations," he said. "On the question of compensation to be paid by Italy for property of nationals destroyed in Italy, Britain and France demanded 100 percent while the U. S. proposed 25 percent and was supported by the Soviets. We compromised 25 percent and was supported by the Soviets. We compromised on 66 percent to be paid by Italy."

"On the question of disarmament of Italy, France more than the Soviets insisted upon the disarmament provision of the treaty."

Vandenberg pointed out that terms of the treaty, including the size of armies, may be revised at a later date by the United Nations.

## Free Negro Vet Of 10-Yr. Term In Mississippi

Special to the Daily Worker

JACKSON, Miss., May 6.—The Mississippi Supreme Court has freed W. O. Craft, Negro veteran, from a 10-year sentence on a Mississippi chain gang. It reversed a Smith Circuit Court decision convicting him of assault with intent to kill, for having, together with his brother and brother-in-law, defended his home and family against an armed attack in Merry Hell Ridge by deputized sheriffs last summer.

W. O. Craft, together with his ex-marine brother, Johnny, and L. T. Hubbard, were supported in their fight for freedom by the Civil Rights Congress, which retained Dixon L. Pyles, Jackson, Miss., attorney. Appeals will now be made for the other two.

Nine other members of the Craft family won their release earlier, through efforts of the CRC. Investigators on the spot contend that the Crafts were victims of two white landowners vying for the family's services as tenant farmers.

## Vets

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to even mention, the plight of the Negro veteran is doubly bad. Walled into overcrowded areas to start with, Negro vets are denied a chance at most of what housing is going up, such as the Stuyvesant Town Project on New York's East Side. But the cemeteries of Normandy and Bougainville had no restrictive covenants.

What will the Communist Veterans' National Encampment in Washington, D. C. tomorrow and Friday have to say about housing? Plenty. We will gladly match our program of a resumption of government emergency controls and vast low-cost public housing projects against the irresponsible pig-at-the-trough program of the American Legion's "arch enemy of Communism."

## 1,000 Defy Storm At Cleveland May 1 Rally

CLEVELAND, May 6.—Defying heavy thundershowers, more than 1,000 persons applauded the attacks of speakers against anti-labor legislation at the United Labor May Day rally in the Public Square here on May 1.

### CORRECTION

The May Day message by Eugene Dennis in Monday's Daily Worker was incorrectly described as a May Day speech. It was sent as a personal greeting to the Pittsburgh May Day meeting because Dennis was prevented from appearing there by the legal persecution by the House Un-American Committee.

## MURRAY BACKS DEFEND-LABOR RALLY HERE

Passage of anti-labor legislation today (Wednesday) at 8 p.m. at the Hotel Park Central, Seventh Avenue and 55th Street. "It is a heartening thing," said Murray, "to see a group of citizens with no particular union affiliation grouping together to fight the vicious anti-labor bills. Together, all of us can bring Congress to its senses to force the defeat of these bills."

Speakers will include Mary Van Kleeck, director, Department of Industrial Studies, Russell Sage Foundation; Hyman Blumberg, New York State chairman, ALP; Rabbi Jonah E. Caplan, of Congregation Beth El, Astoria; Rev. Joseph N. C. Davis, of Davis Temple, Community Church; and John Abt, general counsel, Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America.



by BARNARD RUBIN

**SOUNDS familiar? When the Third Ave. trolley lines are torn up, a good deal of the scrap will be sent to—you guessed it—Japan! . . .**

### TOWN TALK

Helen Hayes has been interviewing actors at the Broadhurst Theatre the last couple of days for the Barter Theatre in Abingdon, Va. The theatre got its name when, during the depression, Virginians could pay for their admission by bringing food, etc., for the actors.

As an illustration of how bad things are for the rank and file actors on Broadway today, it is interesting to note that although the Barter Theatre has only two openings, hundreds and hundreds of actors have flooded the Broadhurst for these jobs—to the extent that auditions have been limited to two minutes each. The two jobs are particularly attractive, despite the fact that the pay is not high—as the Barter Theatre is now subsidized by the State of Virginia, and employment there would be steady. (As a matter of fact, as far as I know, the Barter Theatre is the only subsidized State Theatre in the country.) . . .

Sam Wanamaker will sign to direct the new Emmett Lavery play, *The Gentleman from Athens*. Lavery, who wrote *The Magnificent Yankee*, is the president of the Screen Writers Guild. . . .

J. B. Priestley's old play *Music at Night* was put on a few days ago by the Theatre Wing, with Peter Frye directing. The next day, Universal Pictures, under the impression it was a new play, called and asked for the script. . . .

John Garfield (along with hundreds of thousands of others) looking for an apartment in New York. . . .

Dean Dixon seeking financial support for his *American Youth Orchestra*. Now working out an extensive drive. . . .

Ingrid Bergman, who started off the first week of *Joan of Lorraine* with a cold, is finishing the show the same way. . . .

Ted Post, director of the *Yardley Summer Theatre* in Pennsylvania, has invited Leo Durocher and wife. Laraine Day to appear there to play the leads in *Born Yesterday*. . . .

Arthur Miller (*All My Sons*), Arnaud d'Usseau (*Deep Are the Roots*) and Virginia Kaye working on a plan to set up an organizational liaison between drama schools throughout the country and the Broadway theatre. . . .

Thelma Carpenter will concert tour Australia. Allen Adler making the arrangements. . . .

Peggy Phillips going to France soon for the Theatre Guild. . . . The first of the Hollywood films dealing with anti-Semitism has been completed by RKO. Titled *Crossfire*, it's a low budget feature but said to be daring—that it, for Hollywood. . . .

Theatre Project will open a Lab Stage producing unit in a small, off Broadway house this fall. They're currently working on a one-act repertory which will include the works of Tennessee Williams, William Saroyan, Thornton Wilder, J. M. Synge and Lady Gregory. The Lab Stage is non-Equity. Theatre Project's Equity Company will play a 40-week season out of town starting September, this year, in cities which rarely have a chance to see professional plays. . . .

### NEWSPAPER TALK

Editors and Publishers Year Book still can't seem to reconcile itself to the fact that the Russian people overthrew czarism. In the 1946 edition, Leningrad papers were listed as being published in St. Petersburg. This year the problem is solved by not listing Soviet papers at all. . . .

Progressive education: Some time ago the eight-year-old kids at the Little Red Schoolhouse, who also read comic books, got together and wrote a letter to a comic book publisher, the Dell Publishing Company, protesting a story in one of its cartoon publications. The story which offended the hep kids was titled *L'il 8 Ball* and, as you can imagine, featured the usual trite chauvinistic treatment of a Negro child.

Oscar Lebeck, editor of Dell, knew what he was up against, and answered, "In order that there should be no doubt in anybody's mind, I have decided to discontinue the *L'il 8 Ball* stories. . . . We certainly do not want, in these troubled times, to add anything which might cause friction and harm the efforts to build a happy and peaceful world. . . ."

And then the boss of the giant publishing outfit wound up by asking the eight-year-olds whether to "leave out the Irish cop, or the funny Italian organ grinder, or the fat German delicatessen man?" The kids say they have the answer to this too. . . .

The Paul Robeson ban at Peoria and Albany reminded one reader of the first time Robeson sang before a mixed, interracial audience at Tuskegee Institute in the South. While waiting for the concert to begin an elderly Negro couple stood in the anteroom between the outside entrance and the entrance to the hall proper where the concert would take place. As they waited a white couple came up and the white man asked the Negro woman where the entrance for whites was. (Surely this couldn't be it since a Negro couple were standing in front of it and other Negroes were going in that way.)

"This," said the Negro woman, "is the door. The same door for both. You see, tonight this is an American affair." . . .

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**Needs Your Help:** This little girl in a Spanish Refugee camp in Southern France cannot keep alive unless you help her and hundreds like her. Spanish Refugee Appeal Tag Days on May 8, 9 and 10 will give New Yorkers a chance to aid Spanish Republican children.